

BEDALE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.North Riding of Yorkshire.ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year ending

31st day of December, 1943.

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honour of presenting to you my Annual Report for the year ending 31st December 1943.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL.

- (1) One Medical Officer of Health (part time)
- (2) One Sanitary Inspector (part time)
- (3) One Additional Sanitary Inspector (part time)
- (4) One Waterworks Manager (whole time).

STATISTICS.

Area	43,302 acres.
Registrar General's estimate of resident population (Mid-1943)	6,727.
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1943) according to Rate Books	1,948.
Rateable Value of the Area	£36,627.
Sum represented by a penny rate	£157. 6. 1

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR.

<u>LIVE BIRTHS:</u>	Total.	M.	F.	} Birth Rate per 1000 of estimated resident population: 15.90
Legitimate.	95.	52.	43.	
Illegitimate.	12.	5.	7.	

<u>STILLBIRTHS:</u>				} Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births 27.2
Legitimate.	3.	1.	2.	
Illegitimate.	-	-	-	

<u>DEATHS.</u>	81.	43.	38.	Death Rate per 1000 of estimated resident population: 12.04
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DEATHS FROM MATERNAL CAUSES: One.

Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births: 9.0

DEATH RATE OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE:-

All infants per 1000 live births	56.0
Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births	56.0
Illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births:	Nil.

DEATHS from:-

Cancer (all ages)	8
Measles (all ages)	-
Whooping Cough (all ages)	-
Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	-

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

There has been no alteration in these services during the year.

Labour shortage still makes the problem of scavenging difficult.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.WATER.

The supply of water from the Council's Waterworks has been good and the quality, as shown by analyses of several samples taken from the mains, excellent.

To overcome the passage of grit down the pipes "dirt boxes" were installed on the trunk mains at Bellerby, Stubbing Nook, Cowling and Thornton Watlass.

The rams which had supplied Rand Grange and cottages were disconnected and the supply to this district was taken from the trunk main at Aiskew.

During the year 96 connections were made between the mains and private houses and farm houses.

SEWERS AND DRAINS.

No alterations or extensions have been made to any of the Council-owned sewers, but repairs have been carried out when necessary.

MEAT.

Supplies for the area are brought from the abattoir at Northallerton, where every carcase is examined by a Government Inspector before being sent out.

Pigs slaughtered at the Vale of Mowbray Bacon Factory are examined by your Council's Inspector at the time of slaughter.

MILK.

Most of the milk produced in the area is sent to Dairies out of the District and any unfavourable reports on samples are dealt with by your Sanitary Inspector.

HOUSING.

No new houses have been built during the year owing to war conditions, and, for similar reasons, many existing houses are in need of repair.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.Notifiable Diseases during 1943.

Disease.	Total cases notified.	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Scarlet Fever.	4.	4.	Nil.
Diphtheria.	3.	3.	Nil.
Measles.	114.	Nil.	Nil.
Pneumonia.	11.	Nil.	2
Puerperal Pyrexia.	1.	Nil.	Nil.
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TUBERCULOSIS.New Cases and Mortality during 1943.

Age Periods.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1
15	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
25	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
35	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and upwards	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	3	-	3.	3	-	-	-	5
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I have the honour to be, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ALAN W. HANSELL.

Medical Officer of Health.

